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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

MICHAEL VIRATA an individual,
Plaintiff,

vs.

AMERICAN EXPRESS
CORPORATION; NATIONWIDE
CREDIT, INC.; DOES 1 THROUGH
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Defendant.

CASE NO.: C07 3277 JCS

**DECLINATION TO PROCEED
BEFORE A MAGISTRATE
JUDGE AND REQUEST FOR
REASSIGNMENT TO A UNITED
STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**

REQUEST FOR REASSIGNMENT TO A UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

The undersigned party hereby declines to consent to the assignment of this case to a United States Magistrate Judge for trial and deposition and hereby requests the reassignment of this case to a United States District Judge.

Dated: June 22, 2007


Counsel for American Express Corporation
and Nationwide Credit, Inc